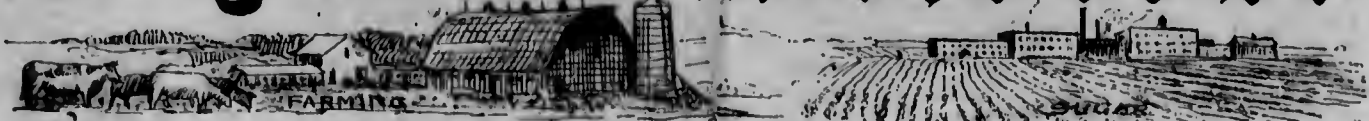


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OUR EDMONTON LETTER

(By T. B. Windross)

Edmonton, Sept. 1.—Remarkable methods employed by the government and its key employees in construction and administration of Alberta highways were disclosed last week in Edmonton during the first week's sittings of the royal commission investigating road work in the Province.

The investigation, being presided over by Mr. Justice H. W. Lunney, is continuing and expected to conclude this week. It has special reference to construction of the Edmonton-Wetaskiwin and Edmonton-Jasper highways last year.

Fact that Alberta forfeited \$162,000 of a federal highway grant, last year because Premier William Aberhart and Public Works Minister W. A. Fallow did inform their subordinates of the terms of the federal-provincial agreement until four months of the working season had passed, was a highlight of the evidence during the past week.

The premier and Mr. Fallow, it was testified, had been informed of the terms of the agreement early in the year—the agreement by which 70 per cent of the men employed on road construction were to be recruited from among relief recipients. The Dominion was contributing a grant of \$403,000 to be expended, dollar for dollar with the Provincial expenditures, on high ways where that proportion of relief employment was maintained.

Construction work started in April, but it was the end of July before the deputy minister on the highway or the commissioner in the department of Public Works learned about the requirement of 50 per cent relief labor in order to qualify for the grant.

When they finally did hear about it, they learned it only from the Ottawa officials rather than from their superiors in the Government.

By that time much of the construction work had been completed without fulfillment of the terms of the Ottawa agreement regarding relief labor. When the Province claimed its grant for those sections of road, the Provincial officials could write in only "Figures not yet available" in the space provided for a certificate assuring Ottawa that 50 per cent of the workers had been taken from relief lists. The Dominion finally began to demand figures.

Ottawa compromised by agreeing that the full grant would be paid if half the men employed on the whole highway program during the season were shown to have been taken from relief lists. The Provincial government tried to flood the work camps with men who had been on relief. Tried changing crews completely every two weeks—every week in some cases—so as to get as many relief recipients as possible into the payroll records.

But the start was too late. By the end of the season only 25 per cent of the men who had been employed came within the terms of the Provincial-Dominion agreement, instead of the 50 per cent required and instead of the 100 per cent which the Premier was quoted as having advocated in the Ottawa conference before the season opened.

Instead of handing over \$403,000 to the Province the Dominion withheld \$162,000 of it. And many men on relief for whom the Dominion had intended employment had gone without work.

In addition to losing the part of the grant, the Province was faced with the necessity of continuing to maintain those men

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GENEALOGICAL PROGRAM AT 2ND WARD

The Genealogical Committee, under the direction of Arthur Dahl, assisted by Mrs. L. D. King staged a very interesting and educational program Sunday evening in the 2nd Ward Church. Elder J. W. Evans was the speaker on marriage for eternity and what it meant to those who understood this wonderful principle.

The pageant "Highroads to Happiness" was staged under the direction of Mrs. L. D. King with the following taking part: Rhonda Dahl, Mrs. Ruth Salmon, Murray Holt, Ina Jones Elaine Salmon and Monte Scoville. The story showed the visit of two young people planning marriage to the home of a couple married in the Temple for time and eternity and dialogue told the story of this work, and is well qualified to handle the steadily growing circulation of books from the local library.

Many favorable comments have been made on our Library and supply of books, those who are in a position to know, state that it is the best Library in any town our size in the southern part of the Province. Its popularity is steadily growing too, and despite the enlarged quarters provided this spring, these rooms are crowded nearly every day, and readers are frequently forced to stand up happiness and contentment from the latter which was impossible with civil marriage.

A good musical program added to the interest of the meeting and the talk and pageant made a profound impression on the minds of the young people who were in attendance at the meeting.

ART EXHIBIT VISITED

BY MANY

The Art Exhibit, sponsored by Mrs. O. H. Snow and Miss Lura Redd at the Town Hall last Tuesday afternoon, was visited by many people who enjoyed the various paintings and sketches of these two artists.

The majority of the scenes had been painted at the Summer School in Banff, but there were some painted previous to their going, and included scenes of Old Chief, local elevators, etc. One view of the Edison elevator burning in the recent fire, was the centre of considerable interest.

It takes an artist to really appreciate to the full this type of work, and we are not artists, so we trust any inability in reporting same, will be forgiven as it is out of our class. We with the many others who visited, enjoyed the collection shown.

NEWS NOTES

Many local items are crowded out again this week. Watch for the usable ones next week.

Paul Wittcock, District Manager of the Calgary Power Co., whose headquarters are at Vulcan, was a Raymond visitor last week.

Lloyd McPhee was laid up for part of last week when he hurt his back while lifting in the scale pit of the elevator trying to adjust the scales. Joe Liniiski of the staff at Coaldaye relieved for a few days here.

Vernon Knowles, public relations advisor of the Chartered banks, will commence a non-political, non-controversial series of broadcasts over Alberta stations next Tuesday night. Read the ad. in this issue for details.

Earl Scoville Passed Away Sunday Night

Earl Scoville, 51 years of age, who had been in St. Michael's Hospital, Lethbridge, for nearly a week following a fall in the Canadian Sugar Factories plant on Monday of last week while painting, passed away very suddenly Sunday night last about 10:30 p.m., being dead when Doctor Bigelow, who was at the Hospital desk when the sudden turn came could reach him. Will Shields was in the same room with Earl and they had been conversing while getting ready for sleep, when Earl suddenly felt a choking feeling come over him, and he said to Will, "I can't get any breath." Mr. Shields called the nurse, who immediately summoned the Doctor, but all efforts to revive him failed.

The family were shocked to receive the news of his sudden passing, as were all the people of the Town. Most of the family had been to visit the husband and father during Sunday, and while not feeling as good as he had done on previous days, he still was cheerful and hopeful, and attributed his feelings to being tired and worn out with too much company. P. D. Bennett was in the Hospital Sunday night and visited with Earl about 8:45 p.m. amongst the last of the Raymond people to see him.

Earl Scoville had always been a very active man, especially in Church work, and for about fourteen years was in the Superintendency of the Second Ward Sunday School and had the love and respect of all the Sunday School members, both young and old for his humility and devotion to duty. He was also a member of the Presidency of the 145th Quorum of Seventy and was released from the Sunday School about a year and a half ago when he was called as President of the Raymond District in the Taylor Stake Mission. His labors in this latter responsibility had also won him many friends amongst those with whom he labored.

Besides his wife, Blanche Fisher Scoville, eight children all unmarried, survive him. Their names are: Lenore, Wynora, Ellsworth, Leatrice, Keith, Elaine, Estelle and Monte. The latter is quite a singer, and on Sunday while visiting at the Hospital, delighted the inmates with his singing of cowboy and other songs. Mrs. Maria Scoville, the mother, and two brothers, Axel of Raymond and Jesse of Proctor, and a sister, Mrs. Wm. Zemp also survive him.

The sympathy of the community is extended to the grief stricken wife and children in their sorrow and bereavement.

FUNERAL SERVICES

Funeral services over the remains of Earl Scoville, 51, who passed away last Sunday night, were held in the Stake House at 2:30 p.m. Thursday with Bishop Walker in charge. The hall was beautifully decorated, and the large crowd which filled almost every available seat, the profusion of floral offerings and the remarks of the speakers all bore testimony of the esteem in which deceased was held by the people of Raymond and all of Southern Alberta.

Chas. B. Strong, veteran conductor of the Raymond 2nd Ward had charge of the singing, with Mrs. Paul Dahl at the piano. Hymns by the choir, consisting of both 1st and 2nd Ward singers were "The Deceasing Trials," "Oh My Father,"

and "Mid Scenes of Confusion," with T. K. Roberts, Mrs. H. F. Allen and Mrs. O. H. Snow each singing a verse and the Choir singing the Chorals. Special numbers were a solo by T. K. Roberts, and Violin and Cello Trio by Nyal Fletcher and the Ririe sisters of Magrath, with Mrs. Ririe at the piano.

Ex-Pres. H. S. Allen offered the invocation and the benediction was pronounced by Elder J. W. Evans, former member of the Stake Presidency and for many years Bishop of the 1st Ward 2nd V.M. where deceased lived.

The speaker, Earl P. Tanner, Stake Mission President, under whose direction deceased had labored for the past couple of years, and who paid high tribute to the ability and willingness of Earl as a missionary, Elder J. S. Anderson who had participated with Earl in a great deal of missionary work, and who read from the book of Mormon some of the favored scripture of deceased. He was sure that the spirit of Earl would be busy in the world where it had been called for good reasons. Stake Pres. T. Geo. Wood stated that the large audience present, representing almost every town and village from Lethbridge south, and also from Picture Butte, the seat of flowers, and what had been said, was a strong evidence of the place Earl held in the hearts of the people. He had always admired the dependability and sincerity of deceased, and stated that wherever he was, he was interested in bearing testimony of the work he so much loved, and was always thinking about how to do his part in the work a little better.

His influence would live for years and years because of his work in the Sunday School where his example and teachings would influence the lives of generations yet unborn through the advice and teachings of parents and grandparents. He read a poem by Edgar A. Guest "People liked him" as typical of the life of deceased.

Pres. E. J. Wood of the Alberta Stake and Temple related a number of personal experiences in his own life where people had been called away and brought tears to the eyes of the audience in relating the development in childhood which comes to children bereft of parents as Earl's family was now bereft of the guiding hand of their father. He spoke also of the nearness of the spirit world, and the fact that deceased would do all he possibly could to assist and guide the members of his family in the proper way, as he would still be very much interested in them, and possibly would be able to do more in the spirit world than he could do here.

Bishop Walker spoke briefly paying tribute to the services of deceased and his family for their willingness to labor in the Church capacities wherever asked and thanked all for their kindness and consideration in the sickness and death of deceased.

The beautiful casket was borne by the other six Presidents of the 145th Quorum of Seventies, I. E. Roberts, Louis Brandley, T. T. Mondenhal, Wm. A. Anderson, Rufus Dahl and John L. Allen, and members of the Quorum stood on each side of the walk as the remains were taken in and brought out of the building. A very large cortege followed the hearse to

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Erickson and family of Warner were Sunday visitors in Raymond.

Monday next is Labor Day and a Dominion holiday. Stores and offices will all be closed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross Humphreys of Picture Butte were in attendance at the funeral on Thursday.

Read the ad. about the Chicken Supper and Dance next Friday night in the 2nd Ward. Everybody welcome.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Murray Holt Saturday, August 28th, a baby boy. Mother and son are doing fine, and Murray is as proud as a dad can be.

Highest temperature for the week ending Wednesday night was 90 on the previous Wednesday, the lowest temperature was Sunday night when it touched 39. Rain for the week was .10 inches. This information is supplied by Mr. Burnett at the School of Agriculture.

Alex Yanosik, who pitched ball for Raymond all summer, hurled the Lethbridge Miners to two of their victories in the three they won over Medicine Hat to give the Miners the senior championship. Nice going Alex.

The Lethbridge Board of Trade after their meeting Wednesday sent wires to Lieut. Gov. Bowen, Premier Aberhart and Prime Minister MacKenzie King demanding the resignation of the Alberta Government and stating that they were a hindrance to business and to the interests of all Alberta people.

Being a strictly co-operative grain producers organization, Alberta Pool Elevators claim that the policy of self-help is calculated to achieve the best results. In other words grain producers can achieve more for themselves by undertaking to build up non-profit grain handling organizations. Unquestionably farmers can progress further by a policy of self-help.

Tommy Farr surprised all the dopesters, and we believe even himself, in his fight with Joe Louis Monday night, when he stayed with Louis the full route, and the last round punched and socked the champion time after time. It must have been a bitter pill for Louis after getting the unanimous decision of the referee and judges to get the jeers and boos of the crowd. From the sound of the last round, if Farr had started three or four rounds earlier he would have pounded the crown from Louis' head. Another meeting of these two gladiators should pack the garden to capacity, and we doubt very much if there would be many odds either way in the betting. Louis had one of the toughest scraps of his career Monday night.

The cemetery where interment took place with Christensen Bros. in charge.

The large crowd, and the fact that dozens of farmers had left their threshing and combine to attend, and the half-holiday at the Factory and the great many factory hands in attendance was a silent and impressive tribute to the influence Earl had exerted on the lives of those who knew him. The sincere sympathy of the district is extended to the wife and children, also the aged mother, and other relatives in their hour of sadness.

NEW LIBRARIAN CHOSEN

Occasioned by the resignation of Miss Millie Romeril who has been Librarian for the Town Library the past two years, a special meeting was held Wednesday night to make a selection of a successor for this position. From amongst nine applications which had been received by the Secretary of the Board, Miss Velma Meldrum was selected for the position by the unanimous decision of the Board.

Miss Meldrum has had considerable experience in Library during her years as a teacher, having kept the Public School Library in very good order. She has also made some study of and do their reading. It is hoped by providing good books, and encouraging people in the type of books to read, to raise the standard of reading in the Town.

CROP CONDITIONS AND PROGRESS

Harvesting is going on in full swing. Up to Wednesday evening local elevator men estimated deliveries of grain at 140,000 bushels, practically all wheat, and practically all No. 1 hard. In the combined grain there had been a few green kernels, with combining finishing up now, and threshing outfits starting this will be at an end. There has been some rye delivered, but very little in proportion to the amount of wheat brought in, and nearly all the grain has been binned, with very little sold to date.

The third cutting of alfalfa is almost ready for the knife, and next week will see a great many fields of hay cut and drying, which will add to an already good supply of feed in the district.

Beets are coming on in fine shape, and sampling is going on now, showing a very satisfactory sugar content, which will increase as the season advances. Digging is likely to commence around the 20th of the month, and as has been the practice in previous years, the factory will start on its fall campaign on or about the 25th. Many applications have been received for positions at the mill, and there will be plenty of local labor to fill all the demands for labor.

WORK ON DAM STARTED

Work on Raymond's big storage project south of Town, commenced Thursday with five plover and fresco outfits at work, and C. F. Tollestrup as supervisor and foreman for the Town. It is expected that many more outfits will be starting as fast as the threshing is finished up, and officials are hoping for good weather so that work may continue long enough to get the dam to the point where it will hold the spring run-off, either this fall or early in the spring.

C. L. Dodge is engineer in charge of the work, and he has been busy for several days getting the surveying done and the pegs set for the boundaries of the structure. The first job is the stripping of the earth so that all grass and weeds may be removed and the new earth of the dam given a solid and unobstructed footing on solid ground. Following this the core dam will be put in, after the trench for it is dug, and in all the work, every possible precaution is being taken to make the job permanent and lasting for a Town water supply.

The work is to apply on Tax arrears, and this arrangement should prove beneficial to those at work, and taxes have piled on greatly during the recent disappointing years.

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WILAT'S THE NEXT MOVE

For two year's the Provincial Government has labored toward the goal of playing Santa Claus to the people of Alberta in the form of a dividend. For two years every effort in this direction has been a flop. Disappointment in the circulation of scrip for roadwork, disallowance of legislation passed both last year and this; continually haggling with Federal officials, and other experiences has been the lot of the Government. To all intents and purposes the dividend, which many hoped will come to them without effort and thereby permit them to live without work, is out. Is it not time that new projects were envisioned and started on to save the reputation of the Province and her people.

People of Alberta regardless of their political affiliation are for Alberta and for the Government in power. Farmers, business men, professional men and every other class have their investments here and want to make them safe. In view of the lack of progress in the course charted by the Premier and Cabinet it seems that a new tack should be made and something else tried. We have no quarrel with our representatives, and are anxious to help, but we are not in favor of turning the direction of the Province over to outsiders who have no interest, further than the wages they get on our welfare. Too much money has already been spent for experts,

whose advice to date has been worth nothing. Had this money been spent in study of our agricultural problems, or on our roads we may have something to show for it. It might be considered at least.

We are suffering from poor roads. One of the men who attended the Tour of Beet Growers told us that a Montana man, and one who knew whereof he spoke, stated that their splendid road system was built with out a cent of cost to local taxpayers. Their plan is to have the Federal Government advance the portion they give the State, then borrow the balance from the Federal Government and build the road. A 7 cent tax is levied on the gasoline consumption of the State, and in 10 years the people who use the road pay for it and the natural revenue of the State pays for the things the taxes are levied for. Couldn't this line of thought at least be considered for one or two main trunk roads at least. There is not a province in the Dominion with the outstanding natural advantages that we have. Why not capitalize on them?

Another plan is the policy of the Federal Government in providing ready made farms. This also was spoken of by the visitors to Montana. A farm is provided with modern home garage, chicken house, etc., irrigation ditches and bridges scientifically and correctly built. This entire expense is amortized over a period of 40 to 43 years, and in that time 5p.c interest each year pays for the place and the farmer, while he is paying for the farmstead is in a position to enjoy life and is not faced with discouragement and defeat from the very start. This question might be studied out. Acreage is limited to 80 or 160 acres and no man is allowed to be overloaded.

These things are worth considering at least. We are in a changing era. New conditions must be met in new ways. Under our present system we are

encouraging laziness and shiftlessness. These programs would furnish a great deal of work, and when completed would give hundreds of young men a chance to do for themselves. We have a wonderful district and Province. Thousands of barren acres only needing water to make them a garden of Eden, and millions of acre feet of water running down to the sea each year and doing no one any good.

It may mean financial bondage for several years. But, if improvements of this sort were the means of getting new settlers permanently located and into the producing class, tourists by the hundreds of thousands coming into the country to enjoy good roads and our beautiful scenery, then in the matter of a few years we would be the wealthiest province of the Dominion and the envy of all. Vision is needed, and courage, but if the aim is one reasonable and sound, the 750 or 800,000 settlers of Alberta would be 100 p.c. behind any party that went to work on it.

The Utopia of equalization of wealth may be in the future, but it's time is certainly not yet. In the meantime if we can put people to work, get them off the gimme gang and into an environment where they will be independent and will build character then we are really progressing and forging to the front.

WHO WILL TEACH YOUR CHILD?

"A teacher's advice is occasionally taken," says a writer in a current magazine article on "I like to teach." For this reason and because what teacher actually is, shouts louder than what he or she says, the question in our heading is all important to the parents of Wainwright and district.

The merry chatter of children in groups going to or coming from school will be heard again, and for many hours each day the plastic personalities of these future citizens will be subjected to the impressions made upon them by those in charge of their school classes.

Those in higher authority presumably do their best to make sure that only those with good characters and purposes enter the teaching profession. These are carefully trained and from their ranks local Boards select teachers whom they feel are able to meet the standards and requirements of the district affected, and properly lead and instruct those placed in their charge.

In some schools the leadership is such that pupils "ooze out" from under the pressure of study because nobody has to work in order to pass.

We hope that those who at the coming term will be set to teach our young will keep the standards reasonably high without bringing on any cases of nervous prostration, and moreover we trust that discipline will be such that, while not of the fear and pressure type, the example and prestige of the teacher will be such as will breed in the pupils a real respect of all those in rightful authority, and also impress upon them the smartness and bigness of being able to measure up to high ideals and worthy aims.

And lastly, as opportunity affords, parents and guardians should take a friendly interest in and co-operate with those who to the child is very often guide as well as goad.—Editorial in Wainwright Star.

NEWS NOTES

Geo. McRae of the Mid-West Paper Sales, Ltd., Calgary, was in Raymond on Tuesday on his regular monthly call.

Despite the cool mornings, many people are still patronizing the Swimming Pool, and Miss Nurse has a good attendance at her swimming lessons.

Miss Lura Redd left Wednesday to resume her teaching in Brigham City High School her subject being art.

THE VAGABOND FARMERS

Special Dispatch from Spanish Banks, Vancouver, B. C.

Vancouver, city of cloud and sunshine, has treated us generously with the latter for two days. Last night your Vagabond Voyageurs, sleeping innocently under the Great Dipper and the North Star, were visited suddenly and unmistakably by the former. In a word—there is rain in Vancouver. They don't call it rain here. It is just dampish; it is a dry rain they say, and you don't notice it.

Three days ago we scented the tang of salt water. Since Columbus many good lives have been lost in the struggle to blaze a land or water route from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Strong, hardy men they were, consumed by the lure of the unknown the desire for adventure, unmindful of hardship—they spent themselves in search of the elusive Pacific. We had something of the feeling of the explorer or pioneer as we drove our tent pegs into the soil of Spanish Banks. The goal achieved, the journey ended. Country life from Coast to Coast is now completed: perhaps not a pioneer effort, but at least a significant effort to reach the mind of farmers, and the problems of farming of our Dominion, which stretches as the Psalmist says from Sea to Sea.

Spanish Banks

Before us the blue waters of English Bay with the blue Coastal Mountains in the background. On the hills behind us the famous site of the University of British Columbia. On Spanish Banks, Sir George Vancouver landed and discussed with the Spanish their comparative claims to this Pacific territory. Here Indian and fur trader met and bartered, to provide the nucleus for white settlement. Here the miner driven by gold-lust landed to trek inland toward the Fraser and Thompson. Here the railway fastened its iron tentacles to draw together the far flung territories of British North America.

From trading post, mining town, and railroad terminus, Vancouver has grown to a ranking Canadian city; air base, industrial centre supplying the Canadian west, gateway to the Orient. Prophets say Vancouver will challenge the supremacy of Montreal, surpass Toronto, become Canada's greatest city. Already it is a cosmopolitan centre, a far cry from seaman Vancouver's camping ground on the Spanish Banks.

Mountain Climbing With Floradora

Flora, the Ford, and Dora the dumb trailer have conducted your voyageurs since we last met over many a perilous trail and difficult ascent. When we wrote last week we were near the United States border. From there we travelled north and west finally reaching the Thompson river. The road down the Thompson and Fraser rivers which finally brought us to the coast follows an old Caribou Trail. How the Caribou traversed it is beyond me; and we will never know, for strangely enough there are only elk in the country now. Even today with modern engineering and Flora's Fordish stubbornness the trail was not an easy journey. The trail led us from the brink of the swirling Fraser waters, up to dizzy heights of almost a mile above sea level. The scenery is beautiful beyond description, but the driver who admires it without stopping may be mingled with the scenery in a way not approved by parents or insurance companies.

Camping facilities on the trail are as yet limited. Cooking our supper one night in a lonely canyon we were expecting a visit from a bear. Instead a group of girls drifted in to join our singing song. I discovered that by flattering their singing they could be induced to wash the dishes. Take the tip, harassed husbands! One other night we camped on the grounds of an Indian Residential School! They had a splendid plant that com-

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pared favorably with a Boarding school in the East. It is operated by the Anglican church and it gave us a glimpse of the difficulties attending work among the Indians, as well as the achievements realized. All across the country we have been impressed with the efforts of the Home Mission Boards of our churches, as well as the opportunities for service that have not yet been explored.

While We Sojourn Here

The Caribou Trail, without its Caribou, brings us back to Vancouver and our little tent on the Spanish Banks. We will spend almost a week here before we sail for Vancouver Island; from the Island we will travel directly and quickly through our great sister nation, going via Salt Lake City and Chicago.

But while we sojourn here a great deal is to be seen and learned. Today we covered the waterfront. There was one of the C.P.R. queens of the Pacific to visit—the Empress of Russia—sleek as an Oriental goddess. Near the Empress we found the fishing fleet coming in, busy as ants, foul smelling. At the pier they unloaded salmon, and we saw the red meat go into the cans we know so well in the East. It is raining today,

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you remember, or at least it is dampish. Water logged as wharf rats we crawled into cheap chow house, to get a full course meal for fifteen cents.

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WEEKLY LETTER

WINTERING BEES

Fall preparations for overwintering of colonies are now being made at the apiary of the Lethbridge Station. Surplus supers of honey are being removed so that all colonies will be free of honey supers by September 15th to give the bees time to prepare the brood chamber for winter feeding which will begin about the first of October.

After the surplus honey is removed the colonies will be examined to see that all the emerging brood possible is present and that the colony has a good queen. These conditions are necessary for the winter survival of the colony. Old bees will not live through the winter and a colony headed by a poor queen has little chance of surviving.

Past experience has shown that weak colonies have little chance of overwintering so they are added to colonies of medium strength. The wintering of several colonies has not been satisfactory even where a strong queen has been introduced.

At this fall examination most of the combs containing pollen found in the brood chamber are removed, and replaced with combs partly filled with newly gathered, unsealed honey. The colony is then fed to bring the weight of a standard colony with floor board, but with cover removed, up to seventy-five pounds. This usually requires from 10 to 20 pounds of syrup, made of two parts of granulated sugar and one part of water.

The pollen combs which are removed are stored and given back to the colony in the spring to stimulate brood production.

Ten-pound honey pails are used as feeders. Fifty holes, the size of a pin are punched in the lid, the pail is filled with syrup and inverted on top of the frames of brood inside an empty super.

The syrup is always fed warm, and given in the evening or other times when the bees are not

flying, to discourage robbing. A strong colony will store a ten-pound pail of syrup in about 12 hours.

The feeders and empty supers are removed as soon as feeding is completed and the bees are packed for winter.

Winter packing will be treated in a succeeding letter.

Master Leo Hancock spent the week-end at the home of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Garrett.

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on relief. Mr. Fallow refused to produce the files bearing on the matter—the correspondence between himself and the Dominion—when it was requested by counsel for J. J. Bowlen, M. L. A., whose charges on the floor of the legislature first precipitated the investigation.

Another startling piece of evidence produced during the week was that showing that a return to the Legislature—a formal statement of information which the House had requested—contained false figures.

It was testified that when Mr. Bowlen had sought information from the Department of Public Works privately on the subject of the cost of building the Edmonton-Wetaskiwin highway, Mr. Fallow told his Deputy minister that the information could not be given out until it had been requested by the Legislature as whole. That development came a few days later, and the Deputy Minister had the information prepared. The statement did not give the actual cost, on a unit basis, of the grading which had been done, but stated that the information was not available. Mr. Fallow instructed the Deputy to hold up that statement too.

After that the Deputy had been dismissed a few weeks later, and the Legislature renewed demands for the information on road costs. Mr. Fallow's new Deputy instructed that a new statement be prepared.

A. P. Paull, office engineer in the Department, told the Royal commissioner that he, on instructions of the new Deputy drew up figures on the basis of average costs of building other highways the previous year.

Although purporting to represent the costs of grading the Edmonton-Wetaskiwin highway, they actually bore no relation to that road, he admitted on the witness stand.

The figures which he drew up under instructions, and which were presented to the Legislature, represented that the costs of grading the highway was 24.9 cents per cubic yard of "common excavation." The true cost, he admitted, was 29.96 cents per cubic yard on the Edmonton-Millet stretch, while another set of figures showed a

cost of 33.5 cents on the Leduc Millet section.

Although the estimate for building the whole 38 miles had been set at \$265,000 by the highway commissioner who was subsequently dismissed, the highway actually cost \$285,000—and only 25 miles of the projected 38 had been completed, it was shown.

The former deputy minister and the former highway commissioner testified that they had been kept in ignorance of many new things in the highway program. Key officials who were supposed to be subordinate to them were hired without their knowledge or approval, they said, and in some cases they learned of the appointments only when the pay sheets came in. Neither did they receive instructions from Mr. Fallow; instead, he gave orders direct to men he had appointed on the road.

Joseph McKone, who testified that he had been a close friend of Mr. Fallow for 30 years at Vermillion, and whose only previous experience at road building had been as "foreman" or "path-master" of a township crew working out taxes in Manitoba 40 years ago, followed by street-maintenance in Vermillion and by construction of "60 or 70 rods" of private road near that town, was appointed by Mr. Fallow as "general foreman" in charge of the Jasper highway work.

On the witness stand Mr. McKone admitted that he habitually signed pay sheets without examining them; that he had appointed another "general foreman" without consulting anyone—that man being put on the government payroll, although at the same time he was the contractor to whom Mr. McKone, again without consulting his Edmonton superiors, had given the contract for crushing and spreading gravel without arranging prices.

Mr. McKone also admitted that from April to October he drove 12,000 miles on a government car allowance of eight cents a mile, besides his wages as general foreman. It was brought out that at one time the Jasper highway camp was carrying on its payroll two general foremen, one foreman, seven sub-foremen and three timekeepers. He also placed a government-paid man on duty at a filling station to look after contractors' trucks,

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he said.

Mr. Fallow had instructed him to hire three certain men and give them foremen's jobs, Mr. McKone said, but had never told him to give preference to government supporters who wanted jobs. He "sure wouldn't" have got his job if Mr. Fallow had not been elected and "got his government job" as Minister of Public Works, said Mr. McKone. He is now working for one of the construction companies holding a contract with the government, and is being paid \$250 a month plus his automobile expenses.

Another witness testified that an old automobile which had been converted into a truck but still could not carry even three men efficiently, was hired by the Government from an oil company agent at a rate \$9 a day. Periodically, this witness said, a crew of five government-paid men equipped with a tractor and a wagon were sent on an expedition to get firewood for one of the contractors' camps. Each trip cost the government \$30 in wages and tractor hire to get 1 wagon load of firewood for the contractor, said the witness.

There were many other startling bits of evidence during the first week of hearing. One statement showed that 10 trucks had been sold to the Department of Public Works by an old friend of Mr. Fallow, for instance. Another said that timekeepers on the Government pay roll also were instructed to keep books for the contractors. Another testified that although it was known that the day-labor system of road construction which Mr. Fallow adopted as a policy would not be as cheap or as efficient as the contract system by which the company could be held responsible for the finished job with any employment or wage conditions which the Government might require, no official of the department opposed the Minister's policy. It was testified that, in contrast to the Edmonton-Wetaskiwin grading cost of 29.9 cents per cubic yard, that on a similar highway in the south, built by a contractor was 11.9 cents.

Every witness heard during the week testified that he had no knowledge of any commissions or bribes being taken by any official in charge of the work. One witness testified the two highways under review were among the best—though not the best—in the Province.

Mr. Fallow himself is expected

NEWS NOTES

Don't forget the Chicken Supper and Dance of the 2nd Ward Choir next Friday nite. Be there.

Stores had a hectic morning Wednesday after the kids came from school with their list of books, scribbles, etc., needed.

Jas. Nickson, Superintendent of the Ellison Milling Co., has been here for the past ten days and with a crew has been busy installing a new Hammer Mill and fitting up the chop house and Diesel plant.

Every once in a while we have items crowded out of our columns. We hope contributors will not judge us too harshly, or think us unappreciative if perchance something has to be omitted. Our columns simply will not stretch, and sometimes we are faced with a flock of last minute news that makes it impossible to print as we had planned our columns.

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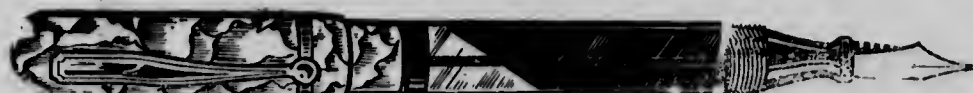
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